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Draft of Expanded Memory Acceptance Speech

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Draft of Expanded Memory Acceptance speech for Mr. Fitzwater. Presentation is scheduled for 10:00 a.m. 07 May in the ACT/CDS Facility, Telecommunications Operations Center.

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IT IS WITH GREAT PLEASURE THAT I JOIN YOU TODAY IN CELEBRATING THE ACCEPTANCE OF A MAJOR SYSTEM UPGRADE TO YOUR MESSAGE PROCESSING FACILITY. EXPANDED MEMORY IS A TERM WHICH HAS BEEN USED WITH INCREASING FAMILIARITY AS OF LATE AS MORE AND MORE REPORTS WERE RECEIVED OF RECORD-SETTING MESSAGE PROCESSING WORKLOADS USING SYSTEMS STRESSED TO THE BREAKING POINT. IT BECAME A DOWN-TO-THE-WIRE RACE TO SEE IF THE PREVIOUS SYSTEM WOULD SURVIVE UNTIL EXPANDED MEMORY WAS INSTALLED.

STAT THIS PROJECT, WHICH WAS BEGUN IN JANUARY 1981 WHEN THE CONTRACT WAS LET TO [REDACTED] WAS COMPLETED NONE TOO SOON. IN FACT, I AM ESPECIALLY IMPRESSED AND PLEASED THAT THE CUTOVER WAS MADE ONE WEEK AHEAD OF SCHEDULE. IN THESE DAYS OF REGULAR COST OVERRUNS AND DELAYED SCHEDULES, IT IS NOTEWORTHY INDEED THAT THOSE OF YOU RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS PROJECT WERE ABLE TO BEAT YOUR COMPLETION DEADLINE AND BRING IT IN A WEEK EARLY.

I AM TOLD THERE WERE A LOT OF BLEARY-EYED, FOOT WEARY PEOPLE IN HERE FOR THE LAST THREE MONTHS AND THAT THIS PAST WEEKEND OF ACTUAL CUTOVER, IT WAS PARTICULARLY STRESSFUL AND TENSE. I AM FURTHER ADVISED THAT IN SPITE OF THE LONG, TEDIOUS HOURS THAT MANY OF YOU SPENT ON THE JOB IN ORDER TO ACHIEVE A SUCCESSFUL CUTOVER, YOUR TRUE PROFESSIONALISM, POSITIVE ATTITUDE, AND GOOD SENSE OF HUMOR PREVAILED THROUGHOUT.

THE SUPPORT ROLE PLAYED BY THE COMMUNICATORS OF THIS AGENCY IS A VITAL ONE; ONE THAT IS FULLY RECOGNIZED BY THE CUSTOMERS YOU SO ABLY SERVE. THIS WAS HIGHLIGHTED THIS WEEKEND WHEN YOU IMPOSED WORLDWIDE MINIMIZE IN ANTICIPATION OF THE SYSTEM CUTOVER. CUSTOMERS WERE UNDERSTANDABLY CONCERNED OVER ANY POSSIBLE LOSS OF A CRITICAL COMMUNICATIONS CAPABILITY, FOR THEY KNOW THAT THE SUCCESS OF THIS AGENCY'S INTELLIGENCE COLLECTION AND DISSEMINATION MISSION IS WHOLLY DEPENDENT ON A RAPID, SECURE COMMUNICATIONS CAPABILITY. YOU HAVE, BY YOUR ACTIONS OVER THE YEARS, PROVEN THAT THE CUSTOMERS YOU SERVE HAVE THE FINEST COMMUNICATIONS SUPPORT IN THE WORLD.

THE LIST OF PERSONNEL INVOLVED IN THIS PROJECT IS A LENGTHY ONE AND I WISH TO EXTEND A WELL-DONE TO YOU ALL. I WOULD LIKE TO MAKE SPECIAL MENTION, HOWEVER, OF KEY PERSONNEL WHOSE INDIVIDUAL EFFORTS WERE ESPECIALLY NOTEWORTHY. WHILE THE ENTIRE

STAT [REDACTED] TEAM IS TO BE CONGRATULATED, THE PROJECT
STAT LEADER, [REDACTED] AND TEAM MEMBERS, [REDACTED] AND
STAT [REDACTED] DESERVE SPECIAL CREDIT. FROM THE OFFICE OF COMMUNI-
STAT CATIONS I WOULD LIKE TO MENTION [REDACTED] FROM THE ENGINEERING
STAT DIVISION, [REDACTED] AND HIS TECHNICAL TEAM, [REDACTED]
AND THE CDS OPERATIONS PERSONNEL FROM THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS
STAT OPERATIONS BRANCH, AND [REDACTED] AND THE CDS STAFF FROM CABLE
SECRETARIAT. A TRULY DESERVING WELL-DONE TO ALL OF YOU.